

**Robert McMickan to George Washington, November 13, 1772, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.**

**FROM ROBERT MCMICKAN, ESQ.**

KINGSTON JAMAICA 13 Novr. 1772

SIR

Want of opportunity Since closing the Sale of your Herrings has delayed the remittance, which shall go by first Vessel to Alexandria.

Flour at this time is in tolerable demand here, What I have Seen of yours by the Fairfax was not of the best quality & I believe Sold not for more than Common flour. Mr. Adams Sails for the Bay of Honduras in a few days—

If you intend exporting your Own Flour, you should endeavour to push out a Vessel in the Winter & another as early in the Spring as possible, during the Winter there is no Supply from Philadelphia & I apprehend your River is not so much frozen up but that Vessels may Sail.—

The French & Spaniards buy great Quantitys of flour here & will give 12d to 18d. a Ct. for it more, if in Casks that contain 160 a 180 Lb Wt. than, if in Casks containing 200 lb & upwards—the reason of this is, that they sell it at so much a Barrel & not by the Lb or Ct. Therefore should you Ship any considerable Quantitys of flour here, let one half of it be in small Barrels. I am with much respect Sir

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Your mo: Obdt. Servt. ROBT. MC. MICKAN.

Prices currt. Supr. fine flour 25 @ 27/6 Comn.do. 20 @ 22/6 Bread20/ Corn4 @ 4/½ Bla  
Eyd Pease 5 @ 6/3 Pork85 @ 95/ Barr from25 a 30 £ per Ton Excha. 40 perCt.